

SENATE BILL 1538  
By Haynes

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, to authorize the issuance of special license plates for "The Hermitage".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

( ) "The Hermitage";

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of Tennessee, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a "The Hermitage" new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The purpose of the new specialty earmarked license plate provided for in this section is to express pride and patriotism for The Hermitage, a National Historic Landmark and the home of President Andrew Jackson, as well as to celebrate, in 2004, the bicentennial anniversary of Andrew Jackson's purchase of The Hermitage.

(c) Such plates shall be designed in consultation with The Ladies' Hermitage Association.

(d) The funds produced from the sale of "The Hermitage" new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated in accordance with the provisions of § 55-4-215, to The Ladies' Hermitage Association, a nonprofit organization chartered by the state in 1889 that is charged by § 4-13-102 "to preserve and beautify the [The Hermitage], and to keep the property in such state of preservation ... so as to display the respect, love and affection which a grateful state and people cherish for their illustrious hero and statesman, Andrew Jackson." Such funds shall be used exclusively for the continued operation and preservation of The Hermitage.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, the public welfare requiring it.